Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 03 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 04 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 03 Mar 2021 at 03:43 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for settled conditions until the weekend then more unsettled. Low for cloud amounts, and timing and quantities of rain later in the weekend.

Headline for Wednesday 03 Mar 2021: Staying dry. Uncertain cloud, best chance of sunshine in Lochaber.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 03 Mar 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%

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Weather: A dry day. Some low cloud over the south and west, especially Arran, Jura and Trossachs in the morning but tending to break. Best chance of long sunny spells over northern Argyll and Lochaber.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60%.

Visibility: Generally excellent on summits above 850m. Cloud amounts very uncertain. Bases in south around 400m, lower patches, tops around 750-900m, so greatest chance of poor visibility on the windward side of the hills between these heights.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	4/5 N	7/10 NE	7/10 NE	8/11 NE	7/10 NE	9/12 E	12/17 E
900	2/3 SE	5/7 NE	5/7 NE	5/8 NE	9/12 NE	10/14 E	14/19 E
600	6/8 NE	8/10 NE	7/11 NE	9/13 NE	12/17 NE	12/18 NE	15/20 E
300	4/7 NE	5/10 NE	6/9 N	7/11 N	5/10 N	4/8 N	5/8 N
Glen	4/7 NE	4/9 NE	6/10 NE	7/12 N	8/16 N	7/13 NE	5/11 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	2/0	0/-3	-1/-4	-1/-5	-2/-6	-3/-8	-4/-10
900	-6/-9	-3/-7	1/-1	1/-1	-1/-6	-3/-8	-3/-9
600	2/-1	1/-3	2/-1	3/-0	2/-3	0/-4	0/-5
300	1/-1	1/-2	3/1	5/3	3/1	2/-0	2/-1
Glen	1/-2	2/-0	6/4	7/5	4/2	4/1	3/1
Freezing Level*	300m	300m	500m	700m	700m	600m	400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Sunny on most tops above around 850m with a cloud inversion. Note the falling summit temperatures in the evening.

Forecast for Thursday 04 Mar 2021
Weather: A cloudy morning with a little light rain, with snow above 600m. Then dry in the afternoon with cloud breaking to allow some sunshine. A clear cold evening with frost at all levels.

Maximum wind: East or northeast 15 gusts 25mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% in morning rising 80% in afternoon.

Visibility: Moderate in morning with some slight haze and some reductions in light rain and snow. Then very good in the afternoon in the clean cold arctic airmass away from any residual lower cloud. Cloud bases 600-900m in morning then becoming broken and lifting above summits in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 Celsius falling to Minus 2 in the evening.
At 800m: Minus 1 Celsius falling to Minus 4 during the afternoon.
Freezing level: 700m falling to 450m in afternoon and all levels in evening

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